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Plain Language Policy in development

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

In recent years, town council has been working to change the language in bylaws, policies and other official documents to make them easier to read, as part of the Plain Language Policy, which is currently in development and expected to make it to council this month, according to officials.

At the Committee of the Whole meeting on Tuesday, July 16, councillors met with Laura Crowe, a local who is heavily involved in writing and editing in the area.

Crowe was requested by council to review some of the town's official documents to see what kind of work needs to be done to simplify them and make them easier to understand, says Mayor Brian Wittal.

She said at the meeting that though there are some documents that already allow for ease of reading, there are still some that could be changed to make them more easily understood, he said.

CAO Roy Brown noted that eight years ago, there was a concerted effort to do this, but there has not been as much done in the last three years as councillors would have liked to see.

"I think council should be doing it, but it is not just something we're going to be doing for six months — it's a six-year project," said Brown.

Coun. LaVar Adams noted once a bylaw or policy is written, they often become living documents, which adds to the challenge.

"They are going to change over time for the needs that need to be met at that time," said Adams. "So the wording needs (to be effective), but not so wordy that nobody understands it, and that's where the dilemma lies."

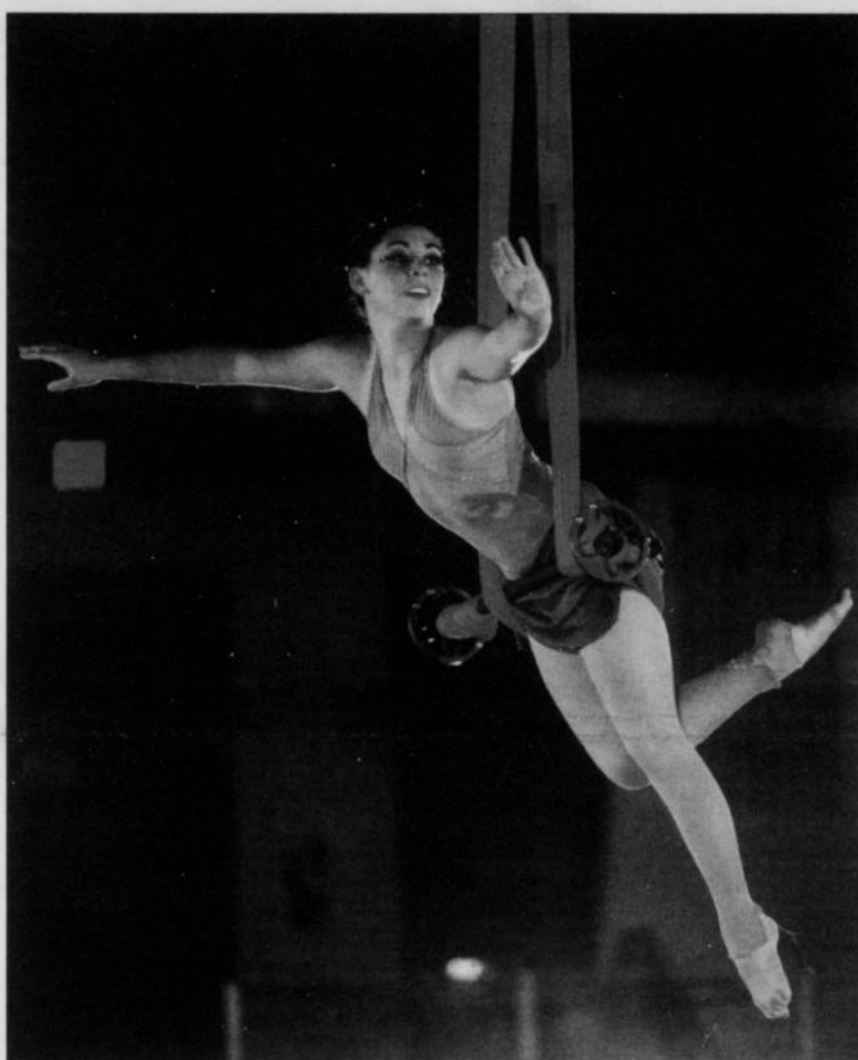
Wittal said much of the language has been carried over by tradition, rather than usefulness.

"So we're trying to get rid of the extra verbiage in policies so that people can read them and clearly understand what the intent of the policy is," said Wittal.

Bylaws have more of a legal aspect to them, so those do often need to employ more complex language, but there are many documents that can be reviewed and simplified, such as policies and contract templates, he noted.

Council has, over the past few years, been reviewing policies as they come up and simplifying them at that point, and any new bylaws and documents have been written with the Plain Language Policy in mind, but there are many still that have not been simplified, he added.

"We've been doing some of this (already), but I



AERIAL GRACE - Circus Gatti's member Cassie shows off her aerial skills during the circus's visit to the Didsbury Memorial Arena on July 30. For full photo coverage, turn to page 8.

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guess when Coun. (Peter) Versluys brought it to my attention, he just thought maybe it would be a good idea to get a second opinion from someone else who is involved in writing and editing, as to how and where we are in that regard," he said.

Councils usually review all official documents, bylaws, and policies each term to ensure they are up to date, he said, but with the Plain Language Policy in mind, the process of review can easily be combined with simplification.

The legislature is in the process of changing the Municipal Government Act (MGA) as well, he noted, and as the MGA ties into many of the town's documents, council's best option may be to wait until the act has been reviewed, which may take up to 18

months.

"And at that time, council can decide as to when to do a more extensive overall policy review and implement any changes that need to be done at that time," he said.

"You try to keep them simple...depending on wording, everybody interprets what that means, that either they do or don't have to do," he added, noting that one of the intents of the Plain Language Policy will be to limit or eliminate the possibility of multiple interpretations.

One of the problems that can arise from wording is that different people can interpret some wording differently, depending on their intent or motives, he added.



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Action-Packed weekend ahead

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

The weekend of Aug. 16-18 promises to be a busy one for Didsbury residents and businesses, as the annual fair and rodeo, parade, and two pancake breakfasts are being held, according to officials.

Chamber of Commerce Pancake Breakfast

The Didsbury and District Chamber of Commerce is hosting its 9th Annual Merchant Pancake Breakfast on Friday, August 16, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The chamber will be hosting a collection of other activities, such as a climbing wall, kids' games, Jail and Bail and a petting zoo, among other things, according to Gregg Huyghebaert, vice-president of the chamber.

"We have our regular Jail and Bail, and we're also having a thing called Road Apple Bingo," said Huyghebaert.

"We're taking donations for the food bank, we'll have a hamper and we'll also be accepting (cash) donations," he added.

He said there will be a lot of family entertainment and that the breakfast is free for anybody who wants to come by.

CKLJ 96.5 FM will be hosting the music and Miss Rodeo Canada 2013 Gillian Shields will also be there, he added.

Didsbury Agricultural Society Fair and FCA Rodeo

The Foothills Cowboys Association (FCA) rodeo will be taking place at the Didsbury Agricultural Society's (DAS) exhibition grounds just north of town, on Aug. 16 and 17, with the Clifford Scott Antique Tractor Pull taking place on the Aug. 18 at the same location, say officials.

DAS President Craig Anderson said the events aren't much different from last year, and that there will be the regular rodeo events, including bull riding, barrel racing, steer wrestling, wild cow milking, muttin bustin', and much more.

There will be a mechanical bull and a water park ride, as well as activities to keep the kids entertained, he said, noting that the society has worked hard to put together an event that's fun for the whole family.

The events start on Friday at 6:30 p.m., with the Thunder on the Prairies fireworks show at about 10 p.m., or when it gets dark enough, he noted.

"Saturday, flak starts at 8 o'clock in the morning,

and the rodeo starts at one," said Anderson, noting that flak is the extra cowboys that can't be fit into the schedule.

The 2013 Mayor's Challenge Calf Scramble is being changed up a little bit this year, as the teams of two need to consist of a male and female, according to Mayor Brian Wittal.

The cost to enter for the contest is \$40 per team, with proceeds supporting the fireworks on Friday, and winners will take home champion

belt buckles, he noted.

The Clifford Scott Antique Tractor Pull will take place on Sunday at about 12 p.m., and the tractors register and weigh in from 9 a.m. until then, according to Clifford Scott.

Scott said that the number varies, though he said anywhere from 25-40 drivers and their machines have been known to show up, adding that they don't need to register beforehand, but just have to show up for the weigh-in and pay \$20 per driver, not per machine.

"I've had tractors from west of Edmonton to Hannah show up," said Scott. "They come from a long ways. And we're 1960 and older, so bring the old tractors out."

He said it is a fun pull, with no prizes, though all money made over what the show costs organizers is donated directly to the Canadian Cancer Society.

Didsbury Elks and Royal Purple Parade

Margo Ward, media liaison for the Didsbury Elks, said that the Elks are hosting a pancake breakfast before the parade on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., and the Elks and Royal Purple Parade starts at 11 a.m.

The breakfast will take place in front of the Elks Lodge, as the road is blocked off, and in case of bad weather, the breakfast will be inside the hall, she said.

This year's parade themes are celebrating the Didsbury Cadets' 25th anniversary, as well as the area 4-H's 75th anniversary and the Canadian 4-H's 100th anniversary, she said.

"Our parade marshal will be Captain Dave Kenney (of the Didsbury Cadets)," said Ward.

The parade starts at the hospital, runs down 20th Avenue, down 20th Street, and then to 15th Avenue, which is where it ends, she said.

There is no pre-registration for the floats this year, she noted, adding that anybody who has a float or wants to drive in the parade just shows up at the starting line.

She noted that due to safety concerns, candy cannot be thrown from floats or vehicles in the parade.

"We've got two Scottish bands coming, plus of course the Al Azhar (Shriners), we never know what patrols they're bringing, so it could be anything. They don't usually bring the horses but it could be anything other than that."

There will be prizes available for various categories, and the categories will be kept secret until the judging is complete, she said.



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Fresh memories from vintage planes

BY SGT. TIMOTHY WUN
Submitted

Second World War history repeated itself this summer as cadets of the Penhold Air Cadet Summer Training Centre (PACSTC) engaged in a once-in-a-lifetime flying opportunity with the Vintage Wings of Canada.

From the 1,200 cadets at the centre, 50 were privileged with a flight on one of six historical aircraft.

One of the 50 selected was 14-year-old Cadet Bryan Svendsen from the 185 "Olds" squadron in Didsbury.

Cadet Svendsen flew in the Boeing Stearman, a beautifully restored aircraft that once served a crucial role in the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan (BCATP).

"The Vintage Wing experience was a once-in-a-lifetime activity," Svendsen said when asked about his experience.

"I really enjoyed the feeling of what it was like in an open-cockpit biplane. I enjoyed flying the plane and I was extremely excited to find out that this was going to happen to me, because I really enjoy the classics."

Vintage Wings is a public charitable organization that aims to commemorate the qualities of the young men and woman that served Canada during the Cold War and Second World War.

Their virtues of community service, discipline and hard work are the same merits that Cadet Svendsen mirrored while completing the three-week Basic Military Band course at Penhold.

"It's the energy and enthusiasm towards an experience they've never done that always gets me," said Christie "Krusti" Whelan, Vintage Wings volunteer pilot.

"I love watching cadets open up and I get excited with them. These

youth in the Cadets are so enthralled, so driven, and we just get to reinforce those values with this program," she added.


While only a handful of cadets were able to fly, all cadets at PACSTC have been living the legacy of BCATP. Before the base became a cadet summer training centre, it used to serve as the Royal Canadian Air Force Number 36 Service Flying Training School, a school which, within three years, trained 1,555 pilots on twin engine Oxford aircraft.

The cadet program is a national youth development program which aims to grow in youth the attributes of good citizenship and leadership, promote physical fitness, and stimulate the interest of youth in the sea, land and air activities of the Canadian Forces.

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BY LEA SMALDON
MVP Staff

Many area seniors competed in the recent Alberta 55 Plus Games in Barhead and Westlock with several coming home with medals.

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Vernon Pedersen's 65+ men's slo pitch team won silver.

Myrna Kelly and Eleanor McKenzie took third place in the 55+ open military whist competition.

In the 55+ open bocce tournament, Norma Wilson, Judy Montgomery, Dave Neustaeter and Nettie Neustaeter took sixth place.

From the Fallentimber area, William Fedyk won the gold medal in the 55+ men's time predicted 10 kilometre cycling race.

And Earl Markham from Didsbury won a gold medal in the mixed media category of the arts and crafts competi-

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Didsbury Cadets turn 25

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

The Didsbury Army Cadets Corps recently celebrated its 25th year in operation and Nicholas Botham of Sundre, a former Didsbury cadet who graduated, or 'aged out' of the corps last August, wanted to share some of the reasons he supports the program.

As cadets need to be between the ages of 12 and 19 years old, when Botham turned 19 last August, he had to leave the corps, which he had been in since 13, he said.

He thinks so highly of the program, however, that he wants to return as an officer, and is currently waiting to hear back from the recruitment centre in Edmonton, he said.

"I think it's a really good program. You get a lot of experience and you get to meet some really good people," said Botham.

"You could probably hear the same thing from just about every other cadet, but the times that you get to go out to the summer training centres, those are generally the best times," he added.

Generally, the summer camps run from two to seven weeks long, depending on the level of the cadets, and he explained that the camps are based solely around complete immersion in cadet life.

"You're out there doing training in some sort of field that you're interested in - they have courses on marksmanship, drill ceremonial, expedition - you could

kind of say it's camping on steroids," he said.

"You get to meet a bunch of new people, see old friends that you get to see them once a year but it's like you never left - it's very easy to pick back up on those friendships."

Another great experience he had was in 2010, when he was given the opportunity to go on a glacier trek expedition, which was all paid for by the cadet program.

"I got to go up into the Rockies and spent a week up there, summited three different peaks, and spent a lot of time on the ice, just wandering around, and we did some crevasse rescue training," he noted.

"It was a really awesome experience. The guides we had up there said that if any other person went up to do this, it'd be several thousand dollars each, whereas for us, it was all covered under the cadet program."

"It was an awesome experience - there's nothing quite like standing and looking around and being eye level with the clouds," he said.

Besides all the fun activities and excursions, he noted cadets also taught him a plethora of life skills, and helped him grow as a person.

"Time management was an important skill," he said. "Instead of running around like a chicken with your head cut

off, you can sit there and plan out...and it just helps to keep you organized."

The interpersonal skills he learned have also been helpful in his personal life, because with the camps, cadets leave their homes and family, and are thrown into a completely new group of people, most of whom they have never met.

"You still have to work with them and be

able to live with them, because the barracks we sleep in are 50 people to a side and there's no divisions. You think of the stereotypical army barracks and that's exactly what you're going to find," he

"I think it's a really good program. You get a lot of experience and you get to meet some really good people."

NICHOLAS BOTHAM

said. "So you get really used to being able to work with a whole bunch of different types of people, which is really useful anywhere (in life)."

He said it's also an exercise in self-dependence, as many of the cadets rarely get out of their homes and away from their parents, especially for an extended period of time.

"Camp helps with that as well, because it helps bring in the fact that you are on your own right now. You're with all these other cadets, but you're away from mommy and daddy, so you kind of have to learn to adjust to that, which makes it even easier - for example - when you have to move out to go to university or college."

Along with the interpersonal skill development, he said that sometimes, cadets don't get along with each other, but they still have to work together.

This, he said, gives them advantages in real life when they can't help who they work with.

"There are some things you have to put up with, in certain types of people, or have to follow orders from people you really disagree with when you think it should be done another way," he said.

"But, you kind of deal with it and learn to hold off on those grudges and just get the things done that need to be done."

Botham is currently working at Jiffy Lube in Sundre for the summer and will be returning for his second year of engineering at the University



The Didsbury Army Cadets line up during their final parade before summer this year.

Photo submitted

of Alberta this fall.

Captain Dave Kenney of the Didsbury corps also had some great things to say. He has been with the group for the last two years, and also spent a year there in 2002-2003, he said.

As the captain, he is the commanding officer (CO) and supervises all the cadet officers in their duties, and helps guide the cadets during their tenure, he explained.

"There's different positions in the corps, and they all report to me," said Kenney.

He does mentoring of leadership with cadets as the CO, and he also does community liaison work and maintains relationships with sponsors like the Didsbury Elks and the Department of Defence.

"CO is a lot of interaction with community and supporters, stuff like that, as well as overall administration," he noted.

He joined the cadets to basically work with youth in the community, he said.

"I'd looked around and saw a lot of teens that could use some extra mentoring. In the average family, parents only spend so much time in the day with a child, so who's impacting our kids and communities by working with youth?" he noted.

The Didsbury corps currently has 22 cadets, with the gender gap split fairly equally, he said, and he enjoys being able to mentor them and help them become good citizens, as well as set them up with the skills they need to enter adulthood.

"I think it is so neat to see a timid 12-year-old who comes in and sometimes they're afraid of their own shadow - they're shy, they don't look you in the eye and are nervous to get involved."

"To see that young

person evolve and develop, and in the last year (in cadets) they're a confident young person who's not afraid to lead others or to teach, and who have some real life skills. That's why I joined," he said.

Though he was never a cadet, he joined mainly so he could give back to the community, he said, noting that senior cadets are often given teaching roles and pass their knowledge and skills to the younger ones.

"In the first year, you learn personal skills, how to march, how to take care of yourself in the bush, wear and take care of a uniform, and give you some confidence so you know you can look after yourself."

In the second year, the cadets start learning skills and how to work effectively in a team environment, he said.

"Third and fourth year, they are taught how to teach. We give them lessons on how to teach a class, develop leadership skills, manage others, and accom-

plish a task by working with others."

By the sixth year in cadets, they are cementing the skills they've learned by doing them, he said.

He noted the Didsbury Elks were instrumental in starting the cadets 25 years ago, as each cadet corps has a local sponsor. Though often it is the local legion, in Didsbury's case, the Elks stepped up to the plate, he added.

"They promote, help find staff when needed, and provide funding and a space to meet," he said.

"As part of that, they like to promote army cadets, and this year's Didsbury parade in August, they've declared it to be (cadets-themed)," he added.

He said many cadets are off for summer training in Vernon, Penhold, Cold Lake, Whitehorse or Ottawa, and some even go to Europe. The day of the parade, Aug. 17, is when many come back, so he is hoping that some will be able to participate and enjoy.



Kevin Vink/MVP Staff

Sgt. Austin Moore stands guard during the Remembrance Day Ceremony in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Didsbury Memorial complex on Nov. 11, 2012.



photo submitted

CWO Nicholas Botham checks the ruck sacks of the cadets during one of their many outings.

Opinion

Editorial Beefing up anti-bullying fight a good move

Affecting far too many young people, including right here in West Central Alberta, bullying is one of the great downsides of the education experience in Alberta in 2013.



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Whether it's through face-to-face or online bullying, the victimization of students by other students makes life difficult and in some tragic cases even intolerable.

No question, bullying is one of the most pressing social issues facing this province and something that must be addressed. As such, MLAs from all parties have an ongoing obligation to work hard with educators, parents and young people themselves to bring about a reduction in

bullying in Alberta.

Last week, the Redford government took what may prove to be an important step in the anti-bullying fight, announcing that it has created a new associate cabinet position tasked with fighting bullying, as well as fighting violence against women and the exploitation of children.

MLA Sandra Jansen will hold the new associate minister position, making her the highest-ranking government official to ever be tasked specifically with fighting bullying in Alberta.

"We're going to put in new measures to fight bullying, new measures to fight human trafficking and the sexual exploitation of women and children," said Jansen.

Premier Alison Redford added: "There's been a number of best practices right across the country, but to actually pull those pieces together in a way that we can ensure has an impact on children today, immediately, is very important."

Jansen, who was elected in 2012, may announce new anti-bullying measures when the new session of the legislature gets underway this fall. Hopefully, those plans will include concrete steps to turn the tables on bullies, making them pay a much heavier price for their cruel actions.

Meanwhile, official Opposition Wildrose justice critic Shayne Saskiw questions whether a new associate minister position is really necessary.

"Protecting families and communities should be the No. 1 priority of any government, but one would expect the requirements under this role would already fall under the minister of justice and Solicitor General combined with the human services minister," said Saskiw.

Despite their political differences, MLAs should realize that with the well-being and health of Alberta's young people at stake, the anti-bullying fight will, in the end, need to be all about cooperation and teamwork.

When bullying makes students afraid to pursue their rightful educations it is a black mark on Alberta, hurting both current and future generations of Albertans.

With that in mind, MLA Jansen will hopefully take her new position very seriously – because students, parents and other Albertans are counting on her to help get the anti-bullying job done.



Commentary

Didsbury firefighters challenge Didsbury Goal for this year's Terry Fox Run is to raise one dollar for each Didsbury Resident

The story of Terry Fox is an epic one – when he was 18-years-old, he was diagnosed with bone cancer in his knee. This resulted in the amputation of his leg, which was replaced with an artificial leg.

In his recovery time in the cancer ward, Fox saw people all of different ages and walks of life in the cancer ward, but it was the children that really got to him, and that's when he decided he was going to make a change.

"Someday the hurting has to stop" said Fox.

He trained on his artificial leg for 14 months and then told his family that he was going to run across Canada in hopes to raise a million dollars for cancer research.

His mother asked the Vancouver native, "Why not run across British Columbia?" to which Terry replied, "Because not just people in British Columbia get cancer."

Fox set out on his journey in

Newfoundland at the most eastern point of Canada, and dipped one leg in the Atlantic Ocean, the idea was he would dip his other leg in the Pacific Ocean at the end of his run.

Fox would wake up at 4 a.m., run 12 miles, rest, and then run 14 miles in the afternoon. That's a marathon, and every single day he would run this, despite the weather challenges or his physical exhaustion.

In 137 days, Fox had 4 days off – one day he spent swimming with a ten-year-old cancer patient who also had lost his leg.

When Fox got to Ontario, he was invited to the opening ceremonies of a CFL game. The crowd went nuts. He had no idea how many people supported him, and it was at this point in time that he changed his goal from \$1 million raised to one dollar raised for every Canadian residing in Canada.

This is where our theme and goal has come from on this year's Didsbury Terry Fox Run. There are currently approximately 4,900 residents in Didsbury as of right now.

Our goal is to raise 1 dollar for every resident in Didsbury. Last year, we raised close to \$3,000 dollars. I do believe that we can and will raise \$4,900 dollars this

year.

So how can you help? How can you participate? You can get sponsored to run, walk or bike the Terry Fox Run, and come out as an individual, a family, or a team. We also are setting up donation jars in local establishments for residents who wish to contribute but can't make the run.

Remember, just a dollar put into one of these jars brings us that much closer to our goal.

Sponsor sheets are available on line at (www.terryfox.org), or at the Didsbury Memorial Complex and town office.

Please keep posted as we continue to tell Terry Fox's story and update on the new changes and ideas for this year's Terry Fox Run.

On behalf of the Didsbury Fire Department and the Terry Fox Foundation, hope to see you out there.

The Terry Fox Run will take place Sunday, Sept. 15 at the Didsbury Memorial Complex, and the registration will be from noon to 1 p.m., and the run, which can be completed by running, walking, cycling or rollerblading, will take place from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Craig Martin is a member of the Didsbury Fire Department, an organizer of this year's Terry Fox Run.



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Lions sponsor optometry equipment for Malawians

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

Though the Didsbury Lions Club does a great deal of work within the community to help people through various initiatives, it also recently helped fund some optometry sets that were sent to Malawi to be used by students and graduates in their practice.

Dr. Allan Jones, who works with a registered charity called Canadian Vision Care (CVC), recently delivered five optometry kits, sponsored by area Lions clubs to an optometry school in Malawi, and said the kits will be used for up to 20,000 eye exams apiece.

"This kit, to give you an idea, will be utilized for the next 25 or 30 years," said Jones.

"So if you think how

many eyes will be tested just because of their generosity, it's quite amazing."

The whole idea started when Jones and one of his CVC colleagues were invited to speak to the Lions clubs in the area at a dinner in Cremona, and explain the kinds of work they do, he said.

Normally, CVC optometrists visit various locations in South America and provide them with optometry sets that are used by both students and to provide vision care for people in those countries, he noted.

More recently, an optometry school opened up in Malawi and the CVC helped fund and build a clinic for graduates to practise in, he added.

"This is a case where we're actually teaching them how to fish, and

we're letting them do it in their own communities," he said, adding that he himself bought five kits last Christmas and gifted them to Malawian graduates in each of his five siblings' names.

"Which is fantastic, because for Malawi and the surrounding countries, there's probably close to 100 million people and there's no optometrists," he said.

Once Jones had finished addressing the attendees, one Cremona member stood up and pledged money towards a kit - about \$1,200 - and challenged the other clubs to do the same.

The best thing about this experience, he added, is that he didn't come to talk to the clubs to ask for donations.

"Lions clubs have always helped us in the countries we go, and they

get money from Lions Clubs International," he said, noting that vision care is one of the Lions' initiatives.

"When they heard that I'd actually bought the first five, they started challenging each other to do it.

"They came up to the plate without me even

asking, which to me, I couldn't believe it."

Didsbury Lions president Bruce Smith said that the service club was happy to accept the challenge by the Cremona Lions to sponsor a kit, and that a sponsorship like this just shows how international the Lions Club really is.

"Lions are the biggest international club in the world," said Smith.

"Our motto is 'We Serve,' so we serve locally, but we also serve worldwide too. So it's good for people to know we're not just an old boys club, it's a club that serves the world."



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Dr. Allan Jones stands with five Malawian optometry graduates who he gave optometry kits to during a trip he took as a Canadian Vision Care representative.

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Arisbeth spins in the air during a performance by the Aerial Beauties during Circus Gatti's performance at the Didsbury Memorial Arena on July 30.



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Young audience members cheer on Leo the clown during one of his performances.



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Leo the clown performs a magic trick with the help of an audience member.



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Food drive huge success

BY KEVIN VINK
MVP Staff

The Didsbury Hospital's food drive was a huge success, pulling in a total of 1,294 pounds worth of groceries and \$230 in cash, which were delivered to flooding victims last month, according to officials.

Leone Regner, an administrative assistant for the Didsbury Hospital, said the Strathmore, Airdrie and Didsbury hospitals – all part of the Rural North Zone of Alberta Health Services – competed to see which facility could bring in the most donations.

The three hospitals brought in a grand total of just over 1,941 pounds and \$320 in cash, meaning that the residents of Didsbury brought in more donations than Strathmore and Airdrie combined.

"We did well," said Regner. "I want to thank everybody for participating and supporting this food drive. I'm very proud to be part of a community like that. It

really makes a difference.

"I was overwhelmed, actually. I was hoping we'd run out of room, and there were some good heavy boxes there."

It was nice to see the community pitching in like this, she said, adding

that the two pallets of goods were sent to the Calgary Food Bank, and delegated to both Calgary and High River flood victims.

The hospital opened up for donations on July 10 and wrapped up the drive on July 17, she noted.



Leone Regner/Photo submitted
Karen Miko hauls one of two pallets packed with donations to the loading dock.

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100. Obituaries 100. Obituaries

SCHUMAKER, Raymond Cecil
February 9, 1929 - July 31, 2013

It is with saddened hearts that we announce the passing of Raymond Cecil Schumaker at the Red Deer Hospice at the age of 84. Ray was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, and friend.

Ray was predeceased by his parents, Peter and Katie Schumaker; his brothers Percy, Jim, Bill, and Reg; sisters Esther and Bernice; grandson Jamie; and daughter-in-law Joyce, as well as his sisters-in-law Dolly and Jessie.

He leaves to mourn his beloved wife, Kay, of 62 years; his children Wayne, Murray (Tammi), Laurie (Dana), Patricia (Garry) and Terry, and adopted son Joey Whelen. Along with grandchildren Chrissy (Quintin), Kayla-Rose, Brittany, TJ, Kash, Brandi, Ty, Cody, and Brenden, and one great-grandchild, Ava. Brothers Stanley (Elaine), Leslie (Dorothy), sisters Joyce (Claire), and Gloria (Don). Raymond was born on February 9, 1929, at Didsbury, AB. He lived on the family farm until he moved with his family into Didsbury, where he retired. Ray and Kay then moved to Gleniffer Lake and finally settled in Red Deer. They spent many winters in Mesa, Arizona and Ricon De Guayabitos, Mexico where he met and made many friends.

Ray was known for striking up a conversation with anyone, anywhere, at anytime. His wisdom, guidance, honor, and support made him a constant source of comfort for so many. His ability to be the most loyal of a friend will be one of his greatest legacies he leaves behind. The family wishes to thank all the doctors and nurses on Unit 32 at the Red Deer Hospital for their compassion and kindness. We also thank all our friends and neighbors for all their support and prayers. The family wishes you to join them in honouring Raymond's legacy at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Didsbury on August 7, 2013, at 1 PM.

If friends so desire, donations may be made to the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Didsbury or Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Red Deer.

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BETTERIDGE, Bryan Anthony
February 12, 1934 - July 27, 2013

Bryan passed away peacefully due to complications with pneumonia with his family by his side. Bryan was born in North Bay, Ontario and was the second of four children to Horace and Lil Betteridge. He began his career with the Canadian Armed Forces at the age of 17; he enjoyed a 36 year career and many experiences with them. In his years with the Canadian Forces he spent time with the Queens Own Rifles, Princess Patricia's Regiment and the Canadian Airborne. Bryan had many fond memories of his times in the forces and was always happy when there was someone to listen to one of his many stories. One of his greatest joys came from his time with the Airborne and the brotherhood that was formed there. Bryan retired from the forces in 1991 as a "Master Warrant Officer" and settled in Didsbury, AB. Bryan was the father of 3 children and one of their fondest memories was the countless hours their dad spent at the swimming pool coaching them in competitive swimming, although they did not really appreciate the 5:30 a.m. wake up calls. He spent his retirement caring for his parents and sister while also enjoying his favorite past time; golf, and traveling with his wife, Shannon. Bryan was predeceased by his daughter Cindy Laing, his father and mother Horace and Lil, his brother Pat, and his first wife and lifelong friend, Donelda Cresswell. Bryan is survived by his wife Shannon, son Bruce (Terri), daughter Kelly (Ralph), sister Karen and brother Art (Bernice). He is also survived by his grandchildren, Michelle (Adam), Blake (Kaylin), Jodi (Jeff), Andrew, Ashleigh (Scott), Jim (Staci), Scott (Lindsay), Cole and his great grandchildren, Logan, Zachary and Alexis. Bryan is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Memorial Service will be held at The Elks Hall in Didsbury, AB on September 14, 2013 from 3:00pm-8pm. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Airborne Social Club in Bryan's name. Airborne Social Club (PO Box 71034 9308 - 137 Avenue Edmonton, Alberta T5E 6J8). To express condolences please visit www.mountainviewmemorial.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Funeral Home & Crematorium. (403) 272-5555.

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FOLKMANN, Eunice Marion

Eunice Marion Folkmann was born in Didsbury, Alberta, Canada on August 17, 1945 to Hank and Emma Folkmann. She passed away at her home on July 25, 2013 in Chilliwack B.C. She was able to live a full life despite multiple complications with her heart beginning with open heart surgery in 1974. Her career as a Licensed Practical Nurse was in hospitals in Milk River, Fairview, Alberta and Kelowna, Sydney and Hope, British Columbia. Due to medical complications she retired to Chilliwack in 1994. Marion loved to travel with friends and family and saw Europe, all of Canada and most of the United States. She is survived by sisters Katharine Stevens, Spokane Washington and Helen Harmon, Lake Stevens, Washington, niece Karen Bulls (Michael) children Jack and Elliot, and nephew Michael (Natalie) and Marley of Hailey, Idaho. A graveside service will be held at the Canyon View Cemetery, Summerland B.C. (next to her parents) on August 3, 2013 at 1:30 PM. A Memorial reception will be held in Chilliwack, B.C. August 29, 2013 at 12 noon at the Senior Vets Center.

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FRONT PORCH REALTY

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1513 - 16 Street



Close to new high school, 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, great covered back deck, small green house, patio and fire pit.

\$179,900

1417 - 23 Avenue



Well-maintained and upgraded home, 3 + 2 bedroom, 3 baths, main floor laundry, duraceramic/laminate flooring, covered rear deck, large fenced yard.

\$269,900

9.49 Acres, Town of Didsbury



Almost 3000 sq ft of house, vaulted ceilings, hot tub, in-floor heat on main, no basement, subdivision and/or business potential.

\$599,900

105 Morris Place



1392 sq ft, high ceilings, granite counters, slate and hardwood floors, 2+2 bedrooms, 3 baths, great view to the west.

\$369,900

13 Bluebird Drive



1331 sq. ft. fully finished, 3+1 bedrooms, 3 baths, gas fireplace, vaulted ceilings, walkout bmt., open plan, great kitchen.

\$329,900

103 Westheights Bay



Immaculate 1200 sq ft home, fully finished, hot water heat with 4 zones, heated double garage, 2 fireplaces, covered rear deck, great location.

\$289,900

2102 - 16 Avenue



Well-kept property, 1309 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, oversized double garage with wood stove heated workshop area, centrally located.

\$229,900

15 Miltford Lane, Carstairs



The "Villas at Parkview Estates". Lovely 50+ unit, fully finished, gas fireplace, vaulted ceiling, 2 bdrms, 2 dens, 2 baths, heated single garage, covered patio, great location.

\$259,900

1418 - 18 Avenue



1435 sq. ft., 2+2 bdrms, 3 baths, hardwood, gorgeous oak kitchen, main floor laundry, gas fireplace, newer bsmt finishing, huge lot, oversized heated dbl garage/shop.

\$294,500

754 Stonehaven Dr, Carstairs



Beautiful 1408 sq ft new 2 storey, 3 bdrms, 2 1/2 baths, hardwood floors, gas fireplace, walk-in closet in master, oversized double garage, large yard, great location.

\$349,900

3 McClung Gate, Carstairs



Lovely and affordable new 2 storey, 3 bdrms, 2 1/2 baths, laminate floors, walk-in closet in master, large double garage, 4 stainless steel appliances.

\$339,900

4.87 Acres 8 mi. west of Didsbury



2000+ sq. ft. home, oversized dbl. att. heated garage, oversized dbl. det. heated garage, 40x60 heated metal shop, 50x50 heated gunset, 40x80 Butler building, much, much more!

\$675,000

2 Westridge Drive



Affordable family home, 3 bedrooms, vaulted ceilings, some framing done in basement, good sized lot in nice area, double garage.

\$249,900

1203 - 21 Street



Large bungalow (1418 sq. ft.), tons of upgrades inside and out, suite potential in basement with separate entrance, oversized double heated garage, beautiful large south-facing deck.

\$269,900

2101 - 22 Avenue



Over 1900 sq. ft., hardwood floors, vaulted ceilings, french doors to den, main floor laundry, fireplace, huge ensuite with jet tub, large yard, great location.

\$324,900

2233 - 19 Ave., Bowden



Well kept and immaculate one-owner home, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 22 X 22 garage, gas fireplace, beautiful large yard.

\$215,000

2022 - 16 Avenue



3+1 bdrms, 2 1/2 baths, great floor plan, gorgeous maple kitchen renovation, all new main bath, newer roof & siding, located on quiet street.

\$279,900

6.33 Acres Near Didsbury



Beautiful main floor renovation, over 2400 sq. ft., 3+1 bedrooms, beautiful wood floors, amazing kitchen with butler pantry, 40'x50' shop, on pavement and easy commute to city.

\$629,900

99 Didsbury Mobile Home Park



Affordable 3-bedroom mobile on rented lot, attached garage, nice private back yard, large storage shed.

\$29,900

8 Westhill Place



Affordable starter or revenue potential, 1/2 duplex w/3 bdrms, 1 1/2 baths, fireplace, large fenced backyard, great location.

\$169,900

3 Idaho Place, Carstairs



2100 sq ft, many recent upgrades, new windows, siding, roof, & more, large deck, hot tub, wood stove, new hardwood on upper floor, great location.

\$334,789

2102 - 21 Avenue



Elegant and Functional! Lovely 5 bdrm custom built w/3 baths, beautiful hardwood, hickory kitchen, theatre room with tiered seating, double garage, huge lot.

\$354,900

1514 Mary Place



Terrific family home, 3+2 bedrooms, 3 baths, large island with eating bar, main floor laundry, gas fireplace, beautiful built-in office centre, fully fenced, west facing deck.

\$299,900

18 Westpoint Drive



Gorgeous custom home, open plan, hardwood, oak kitchen, large island, 2 gas fireplaces, in-floor heat, 2 tiered deck with gazebo, great location.

\$369,900

2029 - 15 Avenue



Very well maintained home, over 1200 sq ft of single level living, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, newer windows, 24x30 garage, large lot.

\$179,900

60 Westpoint Drive



Beautiful custom built home, total of 5 bdrms, full basement walkout, hardwood, corner gas fireplace, butler pantry, huge deck & patio, great location.

\$379,900

73 Deer Coulee Drive



Nicest lot in Didsbury to build your dream home, very large potential walkout lot, gorgeous coulee view, paved walking trail behind, no GST on purchase price.

\$134,900

1803 - 17 Street



College Greek condo villa, 1200 sq ft, fully finished, 2 bedrooms, 3 baths, double garage, reasonable condo fees.

\$224,900

3 Westwood Drive



GREAT LOCATION! 5 bedrooms, 3 baths, sunken living room with fireplace, oversized double detached garage.

\$249,900

2.67 Acres near Didsbury



1392 sq ft character home, 3 bdrms, 1 1/2 baths, laminate, newer furnace older barn, beautiful well-treed yard site, 1 mile from town.

\$329,900

The Porch Boyz



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there!

